



FIRST NATIONS SUMMIT

RESOLUTION #0604.27

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION OF TELECOMMUNICATION AND SUPPORTING TECHNOLOGY AS BASIC COMMUNITY CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS

- A. There is a need for First Nation communities to have high speed broadband access to the internet that includes connecting all administrative offices, schools, health centres, water treatment plants and other community-owned facilities, as well as residences.
- B. This connectivity should be considered as important as other basic infrastructure, such as an electrical distribution system, water distribution system or community road.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

That the First Nations Summit Chiefs in Assembly direct the Task Group to request that the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada amend the Capital Policy's description of level of service to include support for First Nation community access to the nearest point of presence with the goal of then providing high speed broadband internet access to all First Nations business and residential points.

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